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November 18, 1954

'THE LITTLE DOG LAUGHE

HOMECOMING BIG SMASH

Friday. November 5, marked the return of a great tradition here at Ypsi High Homecoming Day. The festivities began promptly at 2:30 p.m. with a homecoming parade sponsored by the Student Council. The High School Band lead the parade, and clowns, colorful floats, and snappy new cars follow-

As most of you know the Senior Class walked off with first prize for the best float. They carried out the theme, 'Braves, the Giant Killer', with 'And the Giants Came Tumbling Down'. Second prize went to the Class of '56' with 'The Braves Will Cut Up Tonight'. The Class of '57' won third prize with Bet Your Buttons We'll Beat Kazoo. Floats were judged on originality, neatness, workmanship, and theme. Judges were Miss Martha Wolter, Secretary to the superintendent of the Public Schools; Mr. Wayne Adair of the Ypsilanti Press, Mr. Raymond Kingston, and Mr. Magee are graduates from Ypsi High.

Parade marshals were: Mr. Bert Waterman, Mr. Richard Lee, Mr. James Bohn, and Mr. Richard Buccos.

The parade committee members were: Duane Bastian, Gene Doering, Beverly Abbeg, Nancy Wilde, Muriel Merrdith, Richard Jacobson, Benny Price, Ted Hanlon, and Tim Dyer.

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NOVEMBER 25 & 26



HERE THEY COME! High stepping drum major Phillip Reed leads the Boy's Marching Band as they pave the way for the Ypsilanti High School homecoming Parade.



THERE THEY GO! Atop the homecoming float constructed by the class of '55' are June Schell and Harry Short representing the cutting down of the Kazoo Giant. This float won the first prize for the most original float in the homecoming parade.

Business Club Sponsors Talent

Again this year the Business Education Club will be presenting a talent show. It will be held November 18 at 7:30 in the high school auditorium.

The proceeds will be donated to the Red Feather Drive sometime during the program.

The judges will be Mrs Ardis, Mrs. Richardson, Dr. Perry, and Mr. Ehmen who will receive the donation. The judges will pick the three best acts. The prizes will be \$15 first prize, \$10 second prize, and \$5 third prize.

Talent will be represented from the 8-12 grades. There will be singing, dancing, instrumentals, and many other interesting things to see.

Mr. Canja will be the Mc and Mr. Gant will play a few organ selections before the show begins.

The guests will be the Delta Sigma Delta Sorority and the Royal Aires formerly the Varsity Four.

Admission is only 50 cents.

Wrestling Season Tickets On Sale

Season tickets for this year's six home wrestling contests will be sold by Coach Waterman and any wrestlers from the Y.H.S.

They will go on sale Monday. November 22 for the nominal sum of \$2.50.

Sale of these bargains is encouraged to parents and friends of all students.

Red Feather Drive

The Civics Department under the supervision of Mrs. Lockwood held the annual Red Feather as sembly on October

The student contribution totaled \$92.54 to which the Student Council added \$55.46 making the grand total \$150.

Eighth Grade **Elects Officers**

When the ballots were counted, Bonnie Glen has been selected to lead the eighth grade through the school

Jimmy Keegan was elected vice-president; Wilma Greer, secretary; and Janice Meulman, treasurer.

The student council representatives are Kerrill Kaiser, David Boyd, Nancy Trowbridge, and Gloria Hill.

Students In

Radio Panel Discussion

In conjunction with American Education Week, ten Ypsilanti High School students participated in a special radio panel discussion at station WHRV in Ann Arbor on November 9 and 11.

Their topic for discussion was: 'GoodSchoolsAre Your Responsibility.' This topic is also the theme of AEW this

The moderator on Tuesday night's program was Judy Obermeyer. The moderator for Thursday night was Prudy Brainard.

The students who were on the panel were chosen from Mrs. Lockwood's American History classes and her Advanced Civics classes.

The entire program was under the direction of Miss Horst.

All School Play And Cast Chosen

This year's All School Play will be 'The Little Dog Laughed'. The play is a comedy by Vera and Ken Tarpley. It's full of fun and laughs and a lot of nonsense.

Laurie Huntington, a sophomore majoring in psychology, who is just home from college is a whizz at upsetting her whole family and everyone else. Judy Mudge has been appropriately chosen for this part. Sidney Huntington, Laurie's father who is normally a jocular person, is played by Jerry Allison. Martha Huntington, Marcia Damoose, is Laurie's charming but anxious mother. Laurie's brother, Wally, content with the world, is played by Bill Kelsh.

Others in the cast are: Gus', Carolyn Exelby, Joan Wood, Shelly Ferris; Ted Wood, David Slough; Lillian Wood, Kathryn Wardrop; Mark Bradford, Charles Sayre; Horatio P. Honeywell, Tim Dyer; Amelia Dennis, Peggy Mahoney; Caroline Blakesley, Lois Wendt; Grace Schoenback, Marian Kerbyson: Wolala Brackenridge. Pat Hickman; Therese Brown, Colleen Hamel. In bit parts appear Mike Burns, Alfred Kinter, David Curtis, Annette Martin.

Ann Kisor, Thomasia Manikas, Buford Harmon, and David Harris are the student directors. Pat Keegan is bookholder.

This hilarious comedy will be presented December 2, in the high school auditorium at 8:15 p.m.



Busy Beavers

As always, our Student Council is very active concerning school activities.

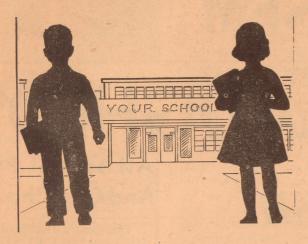
At the present time they are engaged in advertising the All School Play, 'The Little Dog Laughed.' There are Student Council members on committees for this play.

The Student Council sponsoreda junior division party whichwas held on November 12. They also donated a large sum of money to the Red Feather Drive.

The Student Council has also purchased an Argus C-4 camera which is available to all school organizations.

The Council is also devising a variety of assembly programs which will interest

HOW GOOD ARE YOUR SCHOOLS



How good are our schools?

Paul Elicker, executive secretary of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, an NEA department, gives his answer to the AEW topic, in an article which appeared in Colliers, June 11, 1954.

Says Mr. Elicker.

'The quality and quantity of public and private education in our country certainly equals and probably surpasses national systems of education of other major nations. If the entire gamut of students over and beyond the intellectually gifted group were included, there would be even less doubt of America's educational superiority.

These educational opportunities were not always available to all our youth. Our secondary schools in the pioneer days were limited and selective, open only to those who could meet academic standards of the period or whose families had sufficient financial means to send to school. The early secondary schools were not open to girls.'

As for 'Breeze Courses' such as drivers education, Mr. Elicker says that youth who have school instruction in driving have fewer highway accidents than youths who do not have such instruction.

Our schools are giving a better type of education--more suited to the needs of today's youth than a generation ago, he believes.

NEA News





LARRY HINKLEY

Everyone knows this senior. Larry Hinkley, the tall co-captain of the '54 football squad measures 6'3" tall, weighs 195 pounds, and has brown hair and eyes.

Larry, known for his fine personality, is an all-year athlete competing in football, basketball, and track for Y. H.S. He also is a member of the National Honor Society and the Varsity Club.

Ice cream is his favorite dish and he thinks beige is the most. Larry's favorite clothes are levis and T-shirts. He enjoys winter best of the four seasons.

He has no favorite record but his favorite singer is Nat King Cole.

His ideal date !!!!!

She's 5'3" tall, has short black hair, and an equally nice personality.

College is his ambition after graduation unless the army calls him first.



PRINCE FREEMAN

Meet Prince Freeman, this years co-captain of the Ypsi Braves. While he assisted with the captaincy chores of the Braves, he dazzled at his left half back position.

Prince also excels in baseball, and inter-class athletics.

He is 5'9'' tall, and weighs, 155 pounds. He has brown eyes.

Mathematics is this seniors favorite subject and blue is favorite color. As for food, turkey and dressing hits the spot while apple pie and ice cream are his favorite chasers.

Prince likes to keep cool with the record 'Keep Cool' by the Spaniels.

His pet peeve is having had to go to football practice in wet and snowy weather.

He plans to attend M.S.N.C. upon graduation and study to be an X-Ray Technician.



Again our roving reporter is haunting the students and plying them with questions. This weeks question is: What do you think of Bermuda shorts and knee socks?

Pat Keegan: Real cool in the winter.

Jack Brown: If ten other boys would wear them I would. Carolyn Exelby: Real cute on

some people.

Larry Hinkley: I like 'em but when it snows my knees get

Eugene Gray: Depends on the girl who's wearing them. Eugene Kline: They're for the birds.

Bobby Atkins: Knee socks are fine if you wear them with hip boots.

Marcia Damoose: If I'm going to wear shorts I want 'em short.

Bernard Hutting: I'm one of Jack's ten (plaid shorts and hairy legs).

Jesse Boyd: I like them ... in an incinerator.

Viola Pitts: Barracuda sharks?? What are they? John Martin: I don't know I never wore any.

Bob Tremlin: There ought to be a law against them. Bob Noll: They're slick. Mr.Randall: It depends a lot on the individual frame.

John For sythe: O.K. on a special girl.

Gerald Siefker: Oh heavens! John Harris: If you got the legs they're O.K., but if you're 5'2'' and your name is Carol, no.

Mary Etta Baylis: Girls shouldn't go with their legs bare in the winter.

Jerry Keene: They bring out the finer characteristics. Jay Baker: They're fine for people who cannot afford long socks.

Frances Du Bois: Sharp! Buford Harmon: They show the fine moral in them. Hmmmmmmmmm?

Warren Huff: I like 'em, I can concentrate on my trig.

Letter From The Editor



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Did You Know

What was once the estate of D. L. Quirk is now the City Hall.

In the year 1914, Mr. Quirk decided that he would donate his estate to the City of Ypsilanti to be used as a City Hall because Ypsilanti was using an old jail house for its City Hall.

The hall today contains 14 rooms and houses the Muni-

cipal Court and departments such as the Public Works Department, Utility Department, and the Administration Department. There are ten smaller divisions listed under the above mentioned departments.

The building was constructed in 1875 and is now more than three-fourths of a century old.





BEVERLY ABBEG

Of course you have seen this gal with the winning smile. Her name is Beverly Abbeg. She is 5'2½'' tall with light brown hair and blue green eyes.

Bev is very active in school affairs. She is secretary of the Student Council, member of Drum and Bugle Corps, Yearbook staff, A Capella choir, and Radio Club.

Dancing is her favorite pastime. She likes to eat anything edible, likes blue, and her favorite record is Runaround. Her favorite sports are football and basketball.

Her ideal date must be a lot of fun but can be serious at times and should have curly hair.

She is majoring in History and English. After graduation, Bev wants to attend a nursing school.



NANCY WILDE

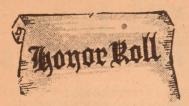
I am sure you have all seen this pretty, tall blonde around Ypsi High. Her name is Nancy Wilde and she is a pretty busy gal.

For two years Nancy has been counting money as Student Council Treasurer. She also belongs to A Capella choir, radio club, yearbook staff, and Drum and Bugle Corps.

Nancy likes any kind of dancing. Her favorite color is brown, 'Mr. Sandman' is her favorite record, and she likes to eat pizza.

A tip for the boys, Nancy is 5'5" tall, and has brown eyes. Her ideal date must have very light brown hair, blue gray eyes, must like to dance, and be lots of fun.

She is majoring in history and English and she plans to attend Kalamazoo State Teachers College after graduation.



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9th Grade

HIGHEST HONOR:

Benny Joe Brose, Dorothy Brushaber, Mike Burns, Judy Ann Cole, Judy Harner, Mike Hopewell, Paula Huston, Sharon Hutchins, Judy Lathers, Donna Le Master, Beauprie Preston, Robert Rieman, Darold Rorabacher, Terry Wharton, Phyllis Wordon. Annette Wright, Diann Walker, Pamela Reynolds.

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10th Grade

HIGHEST HONOR

Audrey Andrews, Carol Ann Atkinson, Karen Benson, Richard Borton, Marileigh Lamson, Patty Burch, Bonnie Rigg, Marilyn Woodside, Harriet Parsons, Carol Raab. WITH HONOR:

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11th Grade

Once again our famous Girl's Drum and Bugle Corp displayed their showmanship and talent as they marched in the Ypsilanti High School homecoming parade.



'Slaughter on the Goal Post'--Second prize in the contest of homecoming floats went to the class of '56' as they 'bet their buttons' on the Braves homecoming game

HIGHEST HONOR

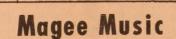
Jerry Boyd, Barbara Fedor, Kathryn Lounsberry, Ann Mitchell, Constance Mitchell, Judy Obermeyer, Peter Roopas, Sharleen Seamans, Kathryn Wardrop, David Wilson, Dolores Zahn, Carrol G. Lambert.

WITH HONOR:

Shirley Brown, Duane Bastian, Robert Borke, Prudence Brainard, Gene Doering, Donna Dunlap, Marlene Edwards, Evelyn Feller, Peter Graham, Wilma Sue Irwin, Marva Jacobs, Dorothy Knox, Robert McCombie, Theresa

M.E.A. Meeting

On October 22 two Y.H.S. senior girls. Ann White and Sue Baird who are members of the Future Teachers Association went to an M.E.A. meeting in Ann Arbor to participate in a panel discussion concerning the problems and projects of the Future Teachers Association. Other schools represented were Monroe and Ann



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Oop Shoop Crew Cuts



'Braves the Giant Killers'--This prize winning float represents Indian Braves torturing a Kazoo Giant. The class of '57' capitalized with this rolling attraction taking third prize in the float contest.



BUSY SENIORS

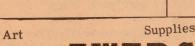




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Coach Of The Week

Coach Ron Isbell, Y. H. S. football coach, when asked why he started coaching, replied, 'That's a good \$64 question.' Because coaching was his life's ambition and there were several coaches whom he admired, he started his coaching career.

He has had sixteen years of coaching experience beginning at Sunfield, a small class D school. He coached there for 3 years where he remarked that he did everything except drive the school bus. At Stockbridge he coached one year. For the next 5 years he coached at Milan, then at Bay Central for one year.

Last but not least, he started coaching at Y.H.S. where he has been for the past 6

There are two events that Mr. Isbell happily looks back on. The first being the last time Y.H.S. defeated Ann Arbor High in football 20-13, the second being the basketball game in which Y.H.S. won over Kalamazoo 64-57.

Mr. Isbell is the father of twin daughters, Mary and Martha, age 6, and a son Tom, age 8.

Braves Defeat Zebras

by J. Baker

In their fifth start of the season, the Ypsi Braves defeated Wayne by the score of

Wayne drew first blood, when BillSexton ran 16 yards for a touchdown. The extra point was made and the Braves came to life with touchdowns being made by Prince Freeman, Buddy Johnson, and Ernest Atkins. Warren Dawson made two of three attempted extra points which made the team total, 20 points.

Pioneers Victorious Over YHS. Eleven Defense Holds Ann Arbor To 13 Points

The Braves played a very good game, but were the victime of a very strong agrigation as the Pioneers won by the score of 13-0. This was the Pioneers' sixth win of the season and their twenty-ninth consecutive game without a

The game was played at Wines Field in Ann Arbor before a large crowd.

The Ypsi eleven kicked off and before a minute of the first quarter was gone the Braves recovered an Ann Arbor fumble on the 19-yard

line. Two plays later, an Ypsilanti pass was intercepted by an alert Pioneer who caught it in the end zone and brought it out to the 20. Ann Arbor then marched 80 yards for their first touchdown, with Jerry Baker going over from the five yard line. The extra point was made by Gary Vogel and the Pioneers led 7-0.

The score remained the same throughout the second period. The Braves received the kick-off to start the last half and made four first downs in a row to put the ball on the Ann Arbor 18. The Braves lost yardage on three successive plays and were forced to punt. The Pioneers took the ball and shortly after the beginning of the fourth quarter marched 54 yards for their final score. The extra point was wide and the scoreboard read 13-0 in favor of the home team.

Just before the end of the game, Doug Fasing faded back close to his own goal line to throw a pass. Ann Arbor's big charging line closed in on him, but not before he threw a shovel pass to Buddy Johnson who carried the pigskin down to the Ann Arbor 9-yard line. The final gun sounded before the Braves could

The Braves had three scoring opportunities but could not capitalize on any of

Canja Calls Plays

Mr. Alex Canja, Public Speaking Instructor and swimming coach of YHS, was the owner of the familiar voice heard by many over the P.A. at the Brave's home contests this past football season.

Mr. Herb Fry called the formations of The Girl's Drum and Bugle Corps and The Boy's Marching Band at the halfs.



Tankmen Begin **Practice**

by J. Baker

If you have been anywhere near the swimming pool lately from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. you have probably heard the Ypsi High Tankmen practicing.

Practice began in the latter part of October and Mr. Canja has been trying very hard to develop a team of the twenty-eight new recruits and eleven returning Varsity and Junior Varsity letter win-

Last year was the final vear for eight Varsity swimmers who graduated and five Junior Varsity swimmers who live in Rawsonville and who are now going to Belleville High School.

The team will face a rough schedule this year with the first meet being a home encounter against Plymouth on December 10.

The remaining schedule will be:



DIG THOSE CRAZY MERMAIDS



This year's members of the Swimming Club are (I to r) 1st row; Sandy Bierer, Judy Barrows, Nancy Mott, Nancy Shaffer, Jane Baker, Sue Baker, Sue Baird, Pat Keegan, Claudia Bedford, 2nd row: Sandra Ray, Barbara Hall, Thomasia Manikas, Theresa Mc-Crumb, Pat Hickman, Ann Kisor, Duanne Dixon, Joyce Barrows, 3rd row: Margaret Allison, Kay Striecher, Carolyn Exelby, Carol Bauer, Kay Taddy, Gwen Pepper, Rochelle Ketchpaw, Beverly Downs.

Braves Win Homecoming Game, Beat Rough Kalamazoo Eleven 20-13

In their final contest of the season the Ypsilanti High School football squad was victorious as they downed Kalamazoo, 20-13, before a large crowd at Briggs Field.

When the game was only five plays old Kalamazoo scored it's first touchdown with Doug Perry passing to Dick Holmes. The attempted

Honor Roll

Cont. from page 2

McCrumb, Judy Mudge, Bob Shaw, Shirley Statler, Mary Szekeres, Sharon Wilbur, Glenda Warren.

12th Grade HIGHEST HONOR

Sue Baird, Joyce Barrows, Katherine Brazil, Barbara Coe, Marcia Damoose, Mary Dolph, Beverly Eisenhart, Carolyn Exelby, Ronald Fick, Colleen Hamel, Warren Huff, Jo Fave Huntington, Patricia Keegan, Ann Kisor, Eugene Kline, Merrith Lamson, Peggy-Mahoney, Judy Miller, Nancy Mitchell, Terry Montonye, Joy Riggs, Clara Shaw, Mary Simpson, Lois Wendt, Nancy Wilde, Beth Viergever.

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extra point was no good. After the kickoff the Braves marched 67 yards for their

first score. The TD was rached up by Ernest Atkins who made a 9 yard jaunt around his own left end. Warren Dawson kicked the ball through the upright to make the score 7-6, with

the Braves in the lead. Prince Freeman made a 65 yard run to put the ball on the Kazoo 23 yard line. Four plays later the ball had still advanced the required ten yards and the Maroon Giants took over.

After a series of downs Kalamazoo punted out to the

ninth respectively in the

regional cross country meet

at Trenton which enabled

them to run in the State meet.

Seventy cross country men

ranas the Y.H.S. cross coun-

try aggregation placed sixth

Marshall, Harper Win In Regionals

Ralph Harper placed fifth and | shall finishing 10 min. 40.7

Charles Marshall and | Road course record. Mar-

50 yard line.

Three plays after the Braves gained possessions of the ball, Prince Freeman scampered 41 yards for the second Ypsi touchdown.

Ypsi had a punt block and recovered by Kazoo on the Braves 1 yard line. Doug Perry cracked the line for a TD. The visitors made the extra point good and the score stood 14-13 Ypsi's favor.

The third touchdown for the Braves was made by Buddy Johnson to climax an eighty vard drive. The kick was missed and the score board read 20-13 for the remainder of the game.

seconds after the gun sounded

and Harper 5.3 seconds later

Marshall has won six of the

thinclads nine meets coming

in first against Flint North-

ern, Lincoln Park, Battle

The girls swimming club. sponsored by Miss McVaugh, started off its fourth year by adding 13 new members. They were judged on their ability and style to swim the basic strokes and to perform simple stunts.

These new members are Margaret Allison, Judy Barrows, Claudia Bedford, Sandy Bevier, Beverly Downs, Carol Keeney, Betty Kelly, Rochelle Ketchpaw, Barbara Knox, Betty May, Sandra Ray, and Kay Streicher. The alternates are Barbara Hall, Thomasia Manikus, Janet Osborn, and Gwen Pepper.

The old members of the club welcomed them with an evening of 'free swimming' followed by light refreshments.

Last year the swimming club elected their president and secretary who will hold office for this year. They are President,-Ann Kisor, and Secretary, -Carolyn

We hope that you will be seeing news of this club in the future. The girls are planning on a show for the latter part of the year.

The activities in the club will include syncronized swimming, racing, stunts and

By George Mills



against Romulus.

